

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 23 Apr 66 24/0400Z	2. LOCATION Cloverdale, California
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Other (birds) <i>Very black - 28th</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 15	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 20 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Observer noted vapor with dim masses of light in formation that were traveling toward the north. It appeared as white glowing masses and a white mist.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground Visual	From the information available it appears birds were responsible for the sighting. The moon was setting at approximately 2140 local mean time and was approaching the first quarter (27 Apr). Observer stated there was bright moon light. It appears that light from moon enabled observation of objects.
7. COURSE North	
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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Cloverdale, Calif.



Public Information Officer
Hamilton Air Force Base, California

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Public Information Officer, Claremont, Calif.

I would like to request
some information on some strange
objects we saw in the sky last
month on April 23rd about
9:00 p.m.

I can explain them only as
large misty formations outlined by
a V-formation of white faintly
glowing masses. They seemed to be
about 2 miles up and much
larger than planes. There was no
noise involved and they were
traveling at a very fast speed.
I would say we saw about twenty
of them and they were traveling
(Send 164)

from south to north, except we
did see one going from west to
east.

I have read that there are
such things as "moon birds" but
it didn't give a description of
the phenomena. Since what we saw
were misty, V-shapes I thought
maybe this could be an explanation.

We would very much like
to hear from you as to what they
could possibly be.

Thank you

Mr. [REDACTED]

23 April 66

FTD TDEW
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433
11 May 1966

Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Cloverdale, California 93304

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED],

Reference your recent unidentified observation of 23 April 1966, which you reported to Hamilton AFB, California. The information in your letter is not sufficient for evaluation. Request you complete the attached FTD Form 164 and return it in the envelope provided.

We wish to thank you for reporting your observation to the Air Force.

Sincerely,



HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr, Major, USAF
Chief, Project Blue Book

From limited data available, birds may be the explanation
JHf

U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

23 April 1966
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 9:00

Hour

Minutes

(Circle One):

A.M.

or

P.M.

2000

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One):

a. Eastern

b. Central

c. Mountain

d. Pacific

e. Other

(Circle One):

a. Daylight Saving

b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

[Redacted]
Nearest Postal Address

Clowerdale
City or Town

California
State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

Hours

20
Minutes

Seconds

a. Certain

☒ b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined?

5.2 Was object in sight continuously?

Yes

No ☒

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY

a. Bright

b. Cloudy

NIGHT

☒ a. Bright

b. Cloudy

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One):

a. In front of you

b. In back of you

c. To your right

d. To your left

e. Overhead

f. Don't remember

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- a. None
- b. A few
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- ✓ a. Bright moonlight
- b. Dull moonlight
- c. No moonlight - pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

NEW MOON
30 APRIL 6:7 PM
1st QUARTER
27 APRIL

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS (Circle One):

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (Circle One):

- a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: (Circle One):

- a. Solid
- b. Transparent
- c. Vapor with thin ~~light~~ masses of light
- d. As a light
- e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (Circle One):

- a. Brighter
- b. Dimmer
- c. About the same
- d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

12. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - b. Like a bright star
 - c. Sharply outlined
 - d. Don't remember

e. Other _____

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- | | | | |
|---|-----|-----------|------------|
| a. Appear to stand still at any time? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| c. Break up into parts or explode? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| d. Give off smoke? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| e. Change brightness? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| f. Change shape? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| g. Flash or flicker? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |
| h. Disappear and reappear? | Yes | <u>No</u> | Don't know |

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how?

They disappeared into the distance.

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

it moved behind:

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One):

Yes

No

Don't Know.

IF you answered YES, then tell what

in front of:

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

a. Sound

no sound

b. Color

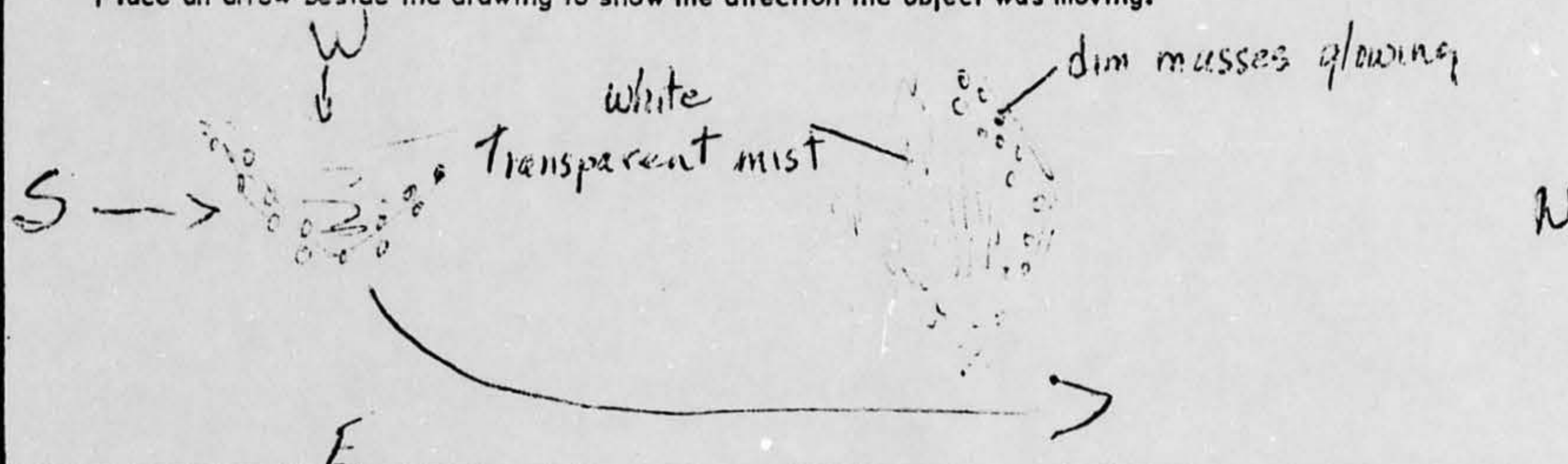
white glowing masses and white mist

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

$\frac{1}{25}$ th? This is a poor guess.

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails.

Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? _____

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One)

Yes

No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? maybe 2 miles up

22. Where were you located when you saw the object?

(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- b. In a car
- c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane (type)
- e. At sea
- f. Other _____

23. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- c. In open countryside?
- d. Near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other _____

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

24.2 How fast were you moving? _____ miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One)

Yes

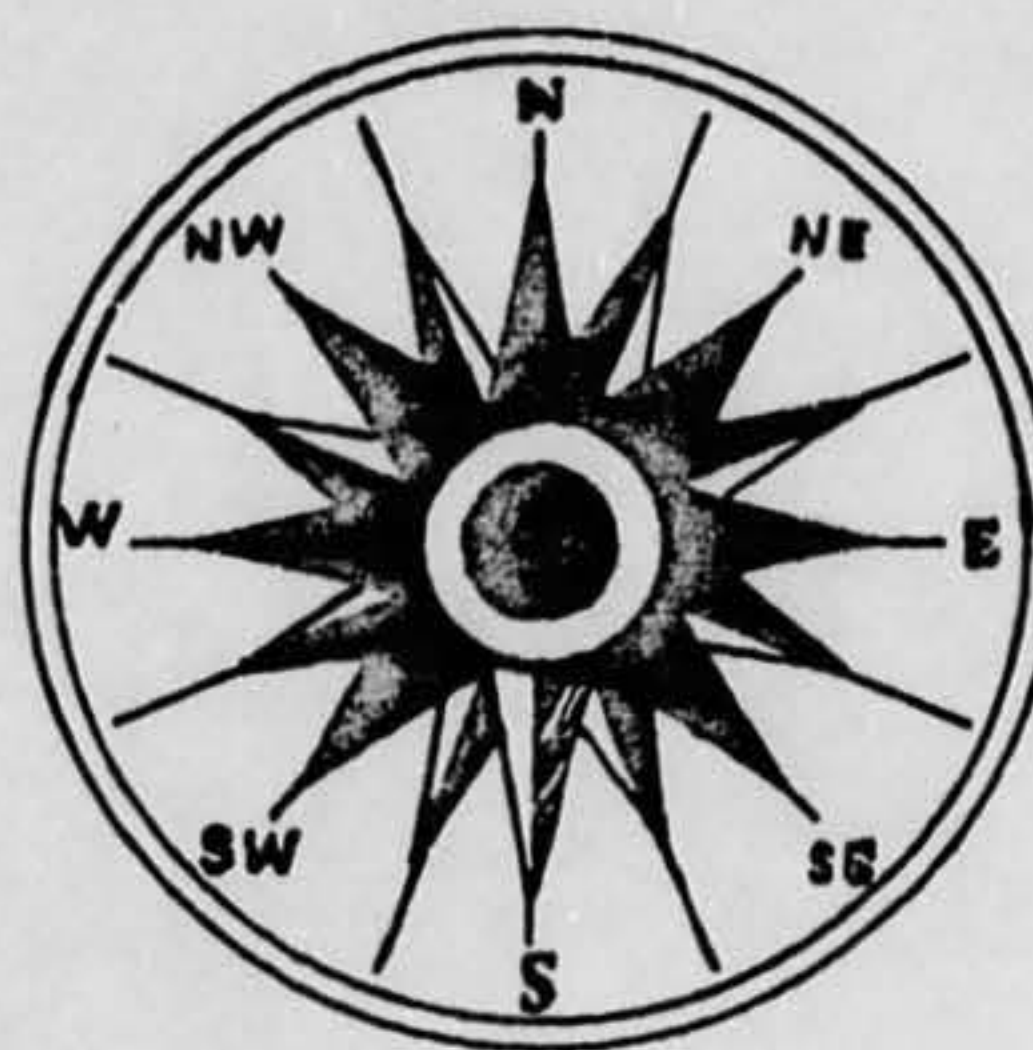
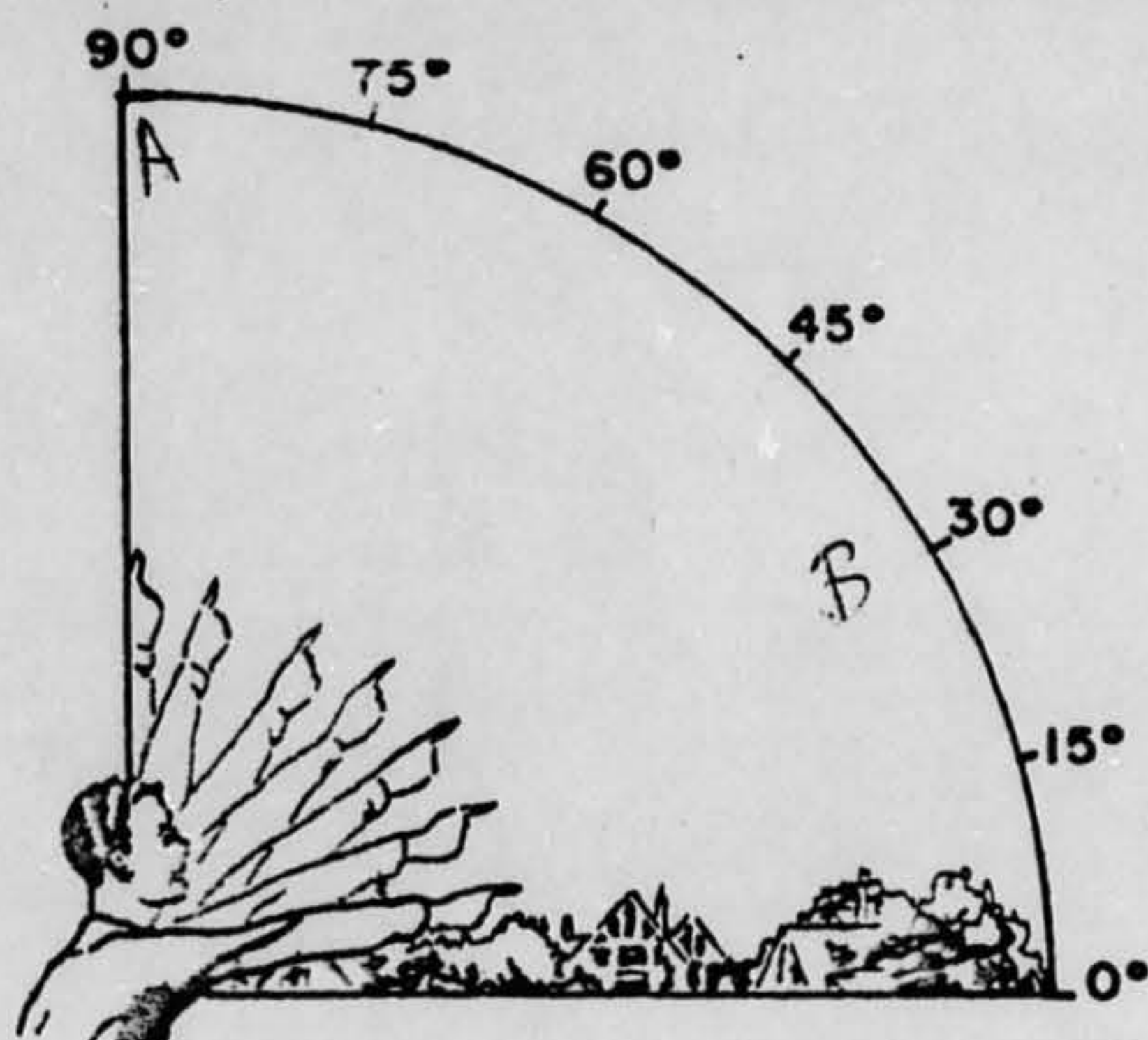
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25. Did you observe the object through any of the following? NO

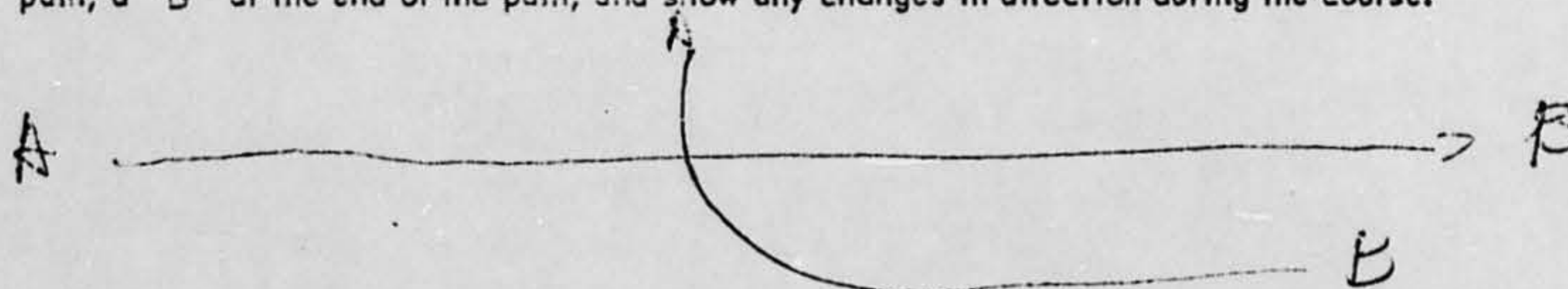
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|-----------------|-----|-----------|----------------|-----|----|
| a. Eyeglasses | Yes | <u>No</u> | e. Binoculars | Yes | No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | <u>No</u> | f. Telescope | Yes | No |
| c. Windshield | Yes | <u>No</u> | g. Theodolite | Yes | No |
| d. Window glass | Yes | <u>No</u> | h. Other _____ | | |

26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw.

27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.

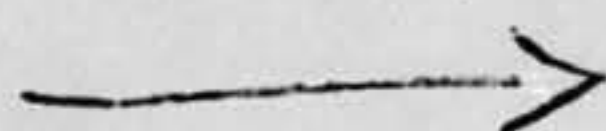


28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? about '15
Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

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No.

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location. no

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? (Circle One) Yes No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? (Circle One) Yes No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mrs. [redacted] [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
MR. [redacted]
[redacted]
Eureka, Calif.

[redacted]
[redacted]
Cloverdale, Calif.

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [redacted] Cloverdale Calif.
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [redacted] AGE 31 SEX female

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

I have never seen anything out of the ordinary in the sky before nor the people who were also observing.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object?

May 1966
Day Month Year

Hamilton Air Force Base, California

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

20 5 1966
Day Month Year

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
HAMILTON AIR FORCE BASE, CALIFORNIA 94934



REPLY TO
ATTN OF: 4AFCOI-C

SUBJECT: Report of UFO Sighting

5 May 1966

TO: Foreign Technology Division
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433

1. Attached for your information and necessary action is a letter we received from Mrs. [REDACTED] of Cloverdale, California, dated 3 May 1966, regarding a UFO sighting.
2. We have written Mrs. [REDACTED] that her letter was being forwarded to you.

FOR THE COMMANDER

Paul K Jones
PAUL K. JONES, Major, USAF
Deputy Director of Information

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Mrs. [REDACTED] Ltr,
3 May 1966